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Public park alcohol ban approved

By Domnick Hadley
Community Editor

The Maryville Parks and Recreation Board's campaign to ban alcohol use in public parks came to a head Monday as City Council members approved the city's first ordinance legally prohibiting all alcohol use. The ordinance will take effect Jan. 1.

The new ordinance prohibits all alcohol use and possession in the city

parks. Groups or individuals possessing a liquor license will be allowed to apply for special uses permits—provided they meet all the necessary requirements.

The Council's unanimous decision came a month after the Maryville Park's and Recreation Board petitioned to enact an ordinance banning any alcoholic drinks from parks within the department's jurisdiction.

The board submitted two previ-

ous proposals over the past 12 years in hopes of addressing safety concerns outlined by residents and park employees.

Residents have complained violence and profanity have consumed city parks.

"This is a positive step for local parks with all the problems that have arisen," Park and Recreation Director Rod Auxier said.

Maryville now joins a host of other

Missouri cities including Columbia, Springfield and Ashland, who have similar ordinances.

Ashland passed its ordinance in 2003 in response to incidents that arose from a local softball tournament, according to City Administrator Ken Eftink.

Similar to Maryville's ordinance, Ashland makes exceptions

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University officials shocked at award loss

By Dennis Sharkey
Chief Reporter

Northwest President Dean Hubbard received word last week that the University would not receive the Baldrige Award.

The news came as a surprise to Hubbard who believed this year the school would win the award.

According to Hubbard, after the results of the award are announced, each entry receives a feedback report detailing what the committee liked and disliked about the site visit. He said Northwest addressed every issue the committee had expected to be rewarded.

After having a conversation with Harry Hertz, director of the Baldrige Award, he said it was made clear to him that the judge's decision had nothing to do with the comparative data or their results.

He also said that Hertz was not specific but did indicate that the judges had an issue with the negative response from Anheuser-Busch and southeastern farmers over the move of Ventria to Maryville.

"The Baldrige judges will not issue an award to an organization they believe might be involved in major controversy that could later reflect poorly on the award," Hubbard said in a school-wide email. "It was clear they had read all of the negative press surrounding that episode, albeit not the positive article in the N.Y. Times."

"I gave them that article and went away from the interview thinking the issue had been satisfactorily dealt with. Obviously, I was wrong. They moved the goal post on us."

On the other hand, Assistant to the President Paul Klute, who has been working on this project, said the feedback report would still be evaluated. The results of the report will determine whether or not Northwest will apply for the Baldrige award next year.

Some Northwest faculty members are not happy either. Richard Frucht, chairman of the history, humanities, philosophy and political science department said the University did what it was suppose to do and he believes the University, deserves the award based on that.

"I felt that any decision based not on Baldrige principles but extraneous matters was an insult to all of us," Frucht said in an email addressed to faculty. "We're deserving of this and we support the president and the University."

Hubbard said despite the bad news the University will move forward, and the school is doing what universities are suppose to do, which is try new and innovative things.

"We started quality initiatives long before any awards," Hubbard said. "That is not why we're doing this, but we will go on."

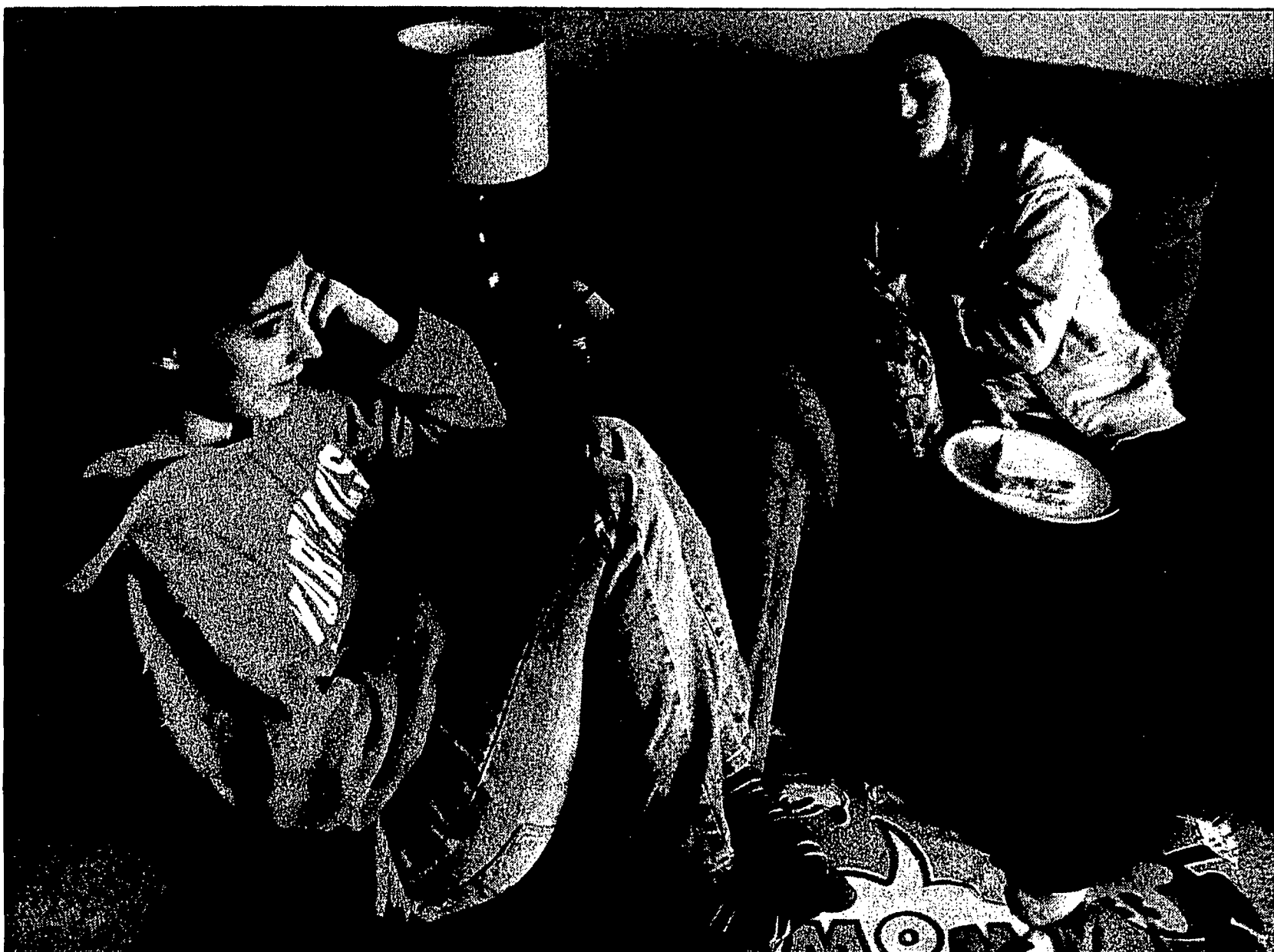


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HAILEY SNOW, 16, (right) has Lyme disease and acute intermittent porphyria, a rare hereditary disease. Somedays she is in so much pain she cannot get out of bed or leave the house. Northwest student Sundi Cottrell visits her each day to fix her lunch and watch television.

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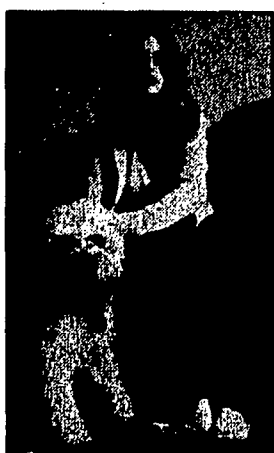


PHOTO BY MIKE DYE / PHOTO EDITOR

HAILEY'S DOG provides companionship during the days she cannot get out of the house.

A 16-year-old struggles to find balance between being bed-ridden and being a teenager

By Stephanie Stangl
Managing Editor

Some days she's trapped in her bed or wheel chair, the intense pain spreading from her right hip, her toenails bleeding, tiny pieces cracking off.

Some days she almost seems well. Walking around, joking, anxious to escape the house: anxious to be a 16-year-old again.

She never knew a deer tick bite at her grandma's house three years ago would leave her life so unpredictable and prevent

her from enjoying the things teenagers often take for granted.

She never knew a single tick-bite would be enough to trigger a dormant hereditary disease leaving her forever changed.

Hailey Snow, of Maryville, suffers from Lyme disease and acute intermittent porphyria, a rare metabolic disorder characterized by deficiency of the enzyme pophobilinogen deaminase, and her whole world has been turned upside down because of it.

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State faces possible budget shortfall

By Domnick Hadley
Community Editor

Missouri could face a serious budget shortfall this year if the state's mandatory spending expenditures continue to outpace revenue, according to former Budget Committee Chairman Brad Lager.

During a recent teleconference, Rep. Lager said Missouri's mandatory expenditures for public schools, prisons, Medicaid, state debt payments and other mandatory items could possibly exceed \$1 billion.

"Missouri does have a spending problem and we cannot sustain the level of spending that's going

on," Lager said.

Lager was removed as Budget Committee chairman following the teleconference.

According to Missouri Budget figures, spending for various state programs has seen steep increases since last year.

Gov. Matt Blunt's budget recommendations for fiscal year 2006 include \$870 million in funding for the Missouri Department of Health and Human Services—compared to last year's allotment of \$455 million.

Blunt has also recommended \$589 million in funding for the Missouri Department of

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KINGS OF THE JUNGLE



PHOTO BY MIKE DYE / PHOTO EDITOR

The Northwest football team celebrates after defeating Pittsburg State 21-10 Saturday at Carnie Smith Stadium in Pittsburg, Kan. Northwest advances on to play North Alabama this Saturday in Florence, Ala.

University, state recognizes teaching excellence

By Kimberly L. Brand
Chief Reporter

Round glass award plaques with the University seal etched into the smooth surface declared three educators 2005 recipients of the Governor's Award for Excellence in Teaching.

The award symbolizes much more than statewide recognition and praise from colleagues; it stands for each teacher's dedication to excellence in higher education and student success.

Recipients for 2005 are Janet Reusser (Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance), Steve Shively (College of Educa-

tion and Human Services) and Steve Ludwig (Booth College of Business and Professional Studies).

Each Northwest academic department chair recommends a faculty member to the dean of the College, who reviews and chooses the nominee for the annual Governor's award.

Historically, Missouri's governor hosts an honorary program for the statewide winners; however, this year's ceremony was postponed indefinitely. Northwest department chairs, administrators and the faculty nominees gathered Wednesday afternoon to celebrate the University's continued work

toward quality higher education.

"You represent the best of us," Provost Kichoon Yang said to the nominees.

Representatives of each department gave verbal recognition to their respective nominee, citing each educator's commitment to the curriculum and the students. They mentioned hearing from students how the instructors give time outside of class and work to exceed expectations. According to Gregory Haddock (Department of Geology/Geography), the Governor's Award "is a way of keeping instructional excellence at the forefront."

"Our primary business on this campus is education," Haddock said. "But relating with the students is also very important, and this (award) exhibits that. Of the 250 faculty (at Northwest), these are the three."

Max Ruhl, dean of CEHS, explained the statewide significance of the Governor's Award.

"This is probably the premiere award from the universities and state of Missouri for recognition for superb teaching," he said. "There are a lot of superb teachers in the state—this is the cream of the crop. It's exciting to be with them."



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HPERD INSTRUCTOR JANET REUSSER was nominated for the Missouri Governor's Award for Excellence in Teaching, and received her award at a reception Wednesday.

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Students win U.N. model award

By Evan Young
Staff Writer

If French delegates at the United Nations ever need advice, they should turn to Northwest Missouri Academy students.

That's because a group of students from Northwest's Missouri Academy of Mathematics, Science and Computing won first place at the Mid-American Model United Nations competition on November 7-8 at Missouri State University in Springfield, Mo.

The students competed with approximately 200 other students from schools across Missouri. They won a first place trophy for "Overall Distinguished Delegation."

Each team was assigned a country to represent earlier this

fall through a lottery system, along with a number of topics to be discussed at the event.

Assigned to represent France, the Academy team split into several subcommittees to develop their country's official stance on topics ranging from nuclear weapon development to renewable energy.

The students met weekly throughout the fall and several times in their respective subcommittees.

Member Daniel Hecox, who was part of France's Model Security Council, said the preparation was the most difficult part of the competition.

"You can't completely prepare yourself because you never know what the other nations will say," he said. "The best you can do is be confident with your information."

Hecox, along with fellow Academy student Alex Blevins won "Outstanding Delegation" for their performance with the Model Security Council. Other individual committee awards went to Emily Heidebreder for the Model Legal Committee and Emily Jones and Mason Crawford for the Economic and Social Council.

Brian Hesse, Assistant Professor of Political Science and the Academy team's advisor, said although the students were judged on their knowledge of French politics, they were also critiqued on accuracy and professionalism.

"I was impressed with the veterans because they really brought their experience to the table," he said. "But I was really glad to see how quickly our newcomers got used to the whole thing."

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Humane society seeks community help

By Ben Koehn
Chief Reporter

This Christmas, the New Nodaway Humane Society hopes to find cash in its stocking.

The Humane Society is looking for funds to help pay off the building which shelters dozens of homeless cats and dogs.

The facility, which was completed in March of 2004, cost the Humane Society \$900,000. Most of that debt has already been paid off, but the cost of caring for all of the animals at the shelter combined with the cost of trying to pay off the building has been a tough burden for the operators of the shelter.

"We need money for

operations, but if we can get the building paid off, that would help us out a ton," said Humane Society President Merla Findley.

Findley currently is working to secure \$50,000 towards a matching promise that was made by the Gladys Rickard Trust Fund. Rickard was a Hopkins, Mo., woman who died last year, leaving money to be donated to non-profit organizations in Nodaway County.

The trust has already donated \$100,000 to the Humane Society to pay off the construction and has promised to match any funds that the shelter raises towards paying off the debts up to \$50,000. The deadline for the promise is Jan. 1.

Findley's husband

and the Nodaway County Humane Society's Treasurer Bill Findley says that they have already raised about \$40,000 towards this goal.

If the Humane Society succeeds in raising \$50,000, then that money along with the matching funds donated by the Gladys Rickard Trust Fund could leave as little as \$25,000 to be paid off.

The shelter recently approached the Maryville City Council for a donation towards the goal. The City Council has since set up a sub-committee to look for any way of pulling money together out of an already tight budget to donate towards the shelter.

"We'll be taking money from something in order to pay for this," said acting

City Manager Matt Unrein.

Unrein said if the city donates money to the shelter, cuts would have to be made somewhere in the budget to provide the money. Unrein, however, could not comment at the time on where the money would come from or how much would be donated.

"We have a two prong process. One is to get the building paid off and the other is to get enough money to keep this place operating," Bill Findley said.

The city of Maryville already donates \$4,100 a month to the shelter to help cover costs, but Bill said that barely covers the costs of caring for all of the animals that pass through the shelter daily.

Humane Society donation Q & A

Q: What will my donation be used for?

The Humane Society recently spent \$900,000 to renovate its facilities. Donating money to the shelter will ensure animals have a safe place to stay.

Q: How much of my donation is tax-deductible?

For a financial donation, if no goods or services are exchanged in return for the donation, the full value of the donation is tax deductible.

Q: Is the city contributing to the Humane Society?

Yes. The City Council recently set up a sub-committee to look for ways to gather funds, and are even looking to pull money from other projects to help the shelter. The city already donates \$4,100 a month to the society, but this just begins to cover monthly cost.

Q: When can I volunteer at the shelter?

Anytime. The society constantly needs volunteers to walk, wash and play with dogs and cats. Sororities at Northwest meet behind Roberta Hall to volunteer on Thursdays at 1:00 if anyone is interested in going as a group with them.

Minnesota man front runner for job

By Domnick Hadley
Community Editor

The Reitz File

Michael Rietz, a city administrator from Kasson, Minn., is the front-runner in the search for Maryville's new city manager.

Rietz fielded questions from area residents and community representatives during a two-hour Community Roundtable Monday.

Former acting City Manager Matt Chesnut resigned to assume a similar position in Florida.

Shortly after Chesnut's resignation, the city commissioned a committee of local residents to screen applicants.

Rietz is the first candidate to be interviewed out of 39 applicants—which included acting City Manager Matt Unrein.

During the session, Rietz assured that he would continue to steer Maryville down a progressive path—serving as an effective liaison between departments and the City Council.

"If I'm able to effectively put in motion the goals and desires of the council, I consider that a success," Rietz said.

"My job is to get (the council) prepared to make a decision and to help them narrow that vision and implement it."

As Kasson's city administrator, Rietz oversees a 30-employee workforce including staff from the city-owned liquor store.

If Rietz receives the city

Michael Rietz is currently a city administrator in Kasson, Minn. Kasson is a town of 5,230 located just west of Rochester, Minn.

He currently oversees a staff of 30 employees including a city-owned liquor store.

manager's position, he will supervise Maryville's 90-employee workforce—a transition he feels won't be too difficult.

"There will be some adjustment," Rietz said. "But it's basically just working with department heads. I've been able to get more into a role where I'm not a lot hands on."

"It's always good to bounce ideas back and forth, but my job is to coordinate what they need to do and empower those employees."

Following Monday's roundtable, the council members entered into an executive session to decide whether or not Rietz would assume the position.

The Council didn't make a definite decision, but they will resume discussion Dec. 7.

"He's been grilled," Mayor Michael Thompson said during the roundtable session. "This is a very important decision that the Council is going to make."

Main Street to be resurfaced

By Tracie Giaccetti
Staff Writer

The Maryville Department of Public Works will embark upon a \$600,000 project to re-asphalt Main Street starting next summer.

Public Work's employees will begin reconstructing the streets on South Main Street in front of St. Francis Hospital—and continue on toward North Edwards street, according to Public Works Director Greg Decker.

The \$600,000 project will be administrated under the street overlay program.

Although the project holds a big price tag, the Surface Transportation Program will reimburse Maryville.

The program involves federal funding, which may be used by states, and localities for projects on any federal-aided highway, bridge projects on any public road, transit capital projects or intercity bus terminals and facilities.

"Generally the roads are in good shape and we do best with the funds that we have, this project will help Maryville better itself," acting City Manager Matt Unrein said.

With re-asphalting, city works will move surface drains from the middle of the roads to the side of the streets to prevent driving problems for area residents.

If the Public Works department received complaints that a road is not drivable, or something else is wrong, they immediately notify the correct people and go out there to fix it, Decker said.

In the last few years, Maryville has undergone similar reconstruction projects on West Leiber Street and Country Club Road.

"We try to keep all the roads up to shape," Decker said. "There will probably be more projects in the future but as of now we're just focusing on starting this project next summer."

CITYBRIEFS

Opportunities to volunteer during holiday season are available

Parkdale Manor is searching for volunteers to put up Christmas decorations Thursday from 2 to 5 p.m.

Northwest's Department of Volunteerism and Service Learning is looking for four

to six volunteers to help with crowd control for Santa Claus' appearance at Franklin Park Dec. 2 and Dec. 9.

Santa will meet with area children from 6 to 9 p.m.

Interested persons can call 660-562-1954.

Poker Tournament scheduled

Northwest's Political Science club will hold a poker tournament 7:30 p.m., Dec. 6, at the Station.

The tournament will be Texas Hold'em style with a \$10 buy-in. A percentage of the proceeds will go towards charity.

Lager removed from committee

Rep. Brad Lager was removed as chairman of the Missouri House of Representatives Budget committee.

Lager was removed following a recent teleconfer-

ence in which he outlined future problems in Missouri's budget.

Rep. Allen Ictet, R-Wildwood, replaced him as chairman.

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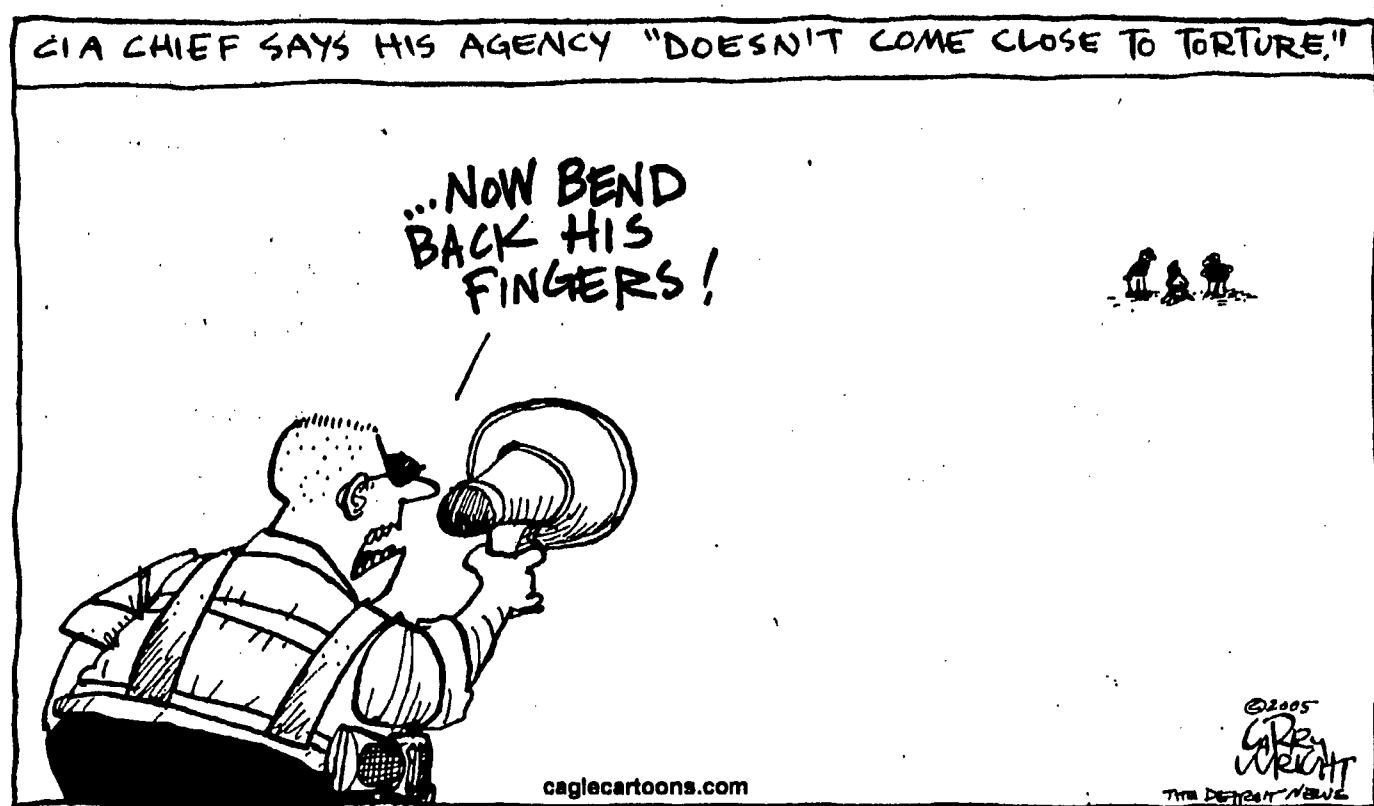
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Pack your bags, we're going to Alabama

The old adage says you only live once. The same can be said about being a college student.

For only four years (or maybe five) does one get the chance to basically throw caution to the wind with little to no responsibility.

Sure there are classes, a job, maybe a few other things, but for most, this is the best time of their lives.

When else in your life are

Out of Bounds



Cole Young
Editor in Chief

you going to be able to hop in a car, throw a change or two of clothes into a bag and head to Alabama to watch your college football team?

The scenario almost too much like what you would see on a cheesy college movie.

While heading to Florence, Ala., for the semifinals might not be possible because of timing, there is no excuse for missing the

National Championship if the Bearcats knock off Northern Alabama Saturday morning.

Heck, even my roommate who leaves his room only to eat and play video games is heading to Florence.

The fact of the matter is, this type of playoff run isn't something the 'Cats have every season. It's been six years since Northwest has advanced this far and it is worth the 12 hours in the car to show a little support.

There wouldn't be a need for this call to action if the Northwest football team

hadn't shown one of the best late season recoveries in recent memory.

After getting whipped 42-14 in the first half of the Fall Classic at Arrowhead, the 'Cats have found a way to pull together and now sit just one win away from a shot at wearing the crown of the nation's best D-II football team.

It goes without saying that the run from the No. 6 seed in the region will quiet some of the doubters 40 miles south that said perhaps Northwest didn't deserve to be in the playoffs.

Veganism OK, but don't forget to feed kids

Can you imagine a life without ice cream? How about a bowl of cereal without milk or a barbecue with no hamburgers? You can also forget about that leather coat this winter.

Does this sound completely absurd? Well, an interesting trend has many people choosing a lifestyle completely void of all animal products and by-products. This particular diet is known as veganism.

Veganism prohibits all animal products, not just meat. On a strict vegan diet the consumption of dairy products, eggs and honey is not permitted. Nor is the use of items such as wool, cosmetics, leather, fur and soaps derived from animal products.

Most vegans have selected this lifestyle as a way to combat animal cruelty—a moral choice. There is nothing wrong with

For the Record



Ashley Bally
University Editor

choosing to be a vegan. I only have one complaint.

On Dec. 15 Joseph and Lamoy Andresohn, a vegan couple, will be sentenced for a recent conviction regarding four counts of child neglect. According to Courtroom

Television, the couple fed the children an "insufficient diet of uncooked fruits, vegetables and liquid concoctions of wheatgrass, almond and coconut juice, in spite of signs that the children were severely underweight."

The couple was previously acquitted on a charge of aggravated manslaughter following the death of their six-month-old daughter, Woyah, who allegedly starved to death on the raw-food diet.

This physically sickens me. What choice did that child

have on the matter? An infant requires much more in terms of vitamins and minerals than what the diet permitted her.

Through the absence of animal products the intake of essential vitamins and minerals such as vitamin D, iron, calcium, zinc and B12 is severely decreased, and must be obtained through alternate sources.

According to The Chiropractic Resource Organization, vitamin B12 is found in all animal products and is the primary deficiency faced by vegans—most must consume a pill to suffice for the deficiency.

However, for an infant, B12 is found in breast milk and the result of this type of deficiency is severe neurological damage. In children the deficiency can result in slow growth and in anemia.

In spite of everything the diet denies the human body, there are positive results of maintaining the lifestyle. According to the American Dietetic Association, a vegan diet decreases chances of obe-

sity, heart disease, hypertension, diabetes, osteoporosis and several types of cancer.

I am not suggesting the proper vegan diet is unethical. I am not a vegan but I am conscious of what I eat and I do not respond well to accounts of animal cruelty. However, I do not force my beliefs on others and do not expect someone else's to be forced on me. Isn't that the point of responsible parenting anyway, to guide your children in deciding on their morals and making their own decisions?

For vegan or vegetarian parents my request is simple: should you decide to raise your children on a diet selected from this moral stance make sure they are properly nourished. The vegan diet for children is possible but is extremely challenging and must be achieved through proper food selection and preparation.

Morals are an important part of life but the No. 1 responsibility is the health of your children.

OURVIEW

Lager stands tall on truth

On Wednesday, Nov. 18, Brad Lager expressed serious concern about Missouri's next budget.

By the end of the following day, Lager had been removed from his position as Missouri's budget committee chairman.

Think those events were related?

Lager, a Missouri State Representative from Maryville, lost his job because he took it seriously.

House Speaker Rod Jetton, from Marble Hill, replaced Lager with a new chairman because the two had "different priorities" and were "moving in a different direction" with the budget.

In Lager's press conference Wednesday he said the state's mandatory spending was growing by \$500 million, while revenue to cover such spending only increased \$300 million.

Simple math reveals the problem. The state is not making enough money to cover its spending. So, Lager proposed not funding new programs or new state employees in an effort to fight the problem.

Jetton, apparently not a mathematician, replaced Lager with Allen Icet, a Representative from Wildwood who had previously served as the committee's

vice-chairman.

Maybe Icet will come up with the \$200 million in his couch cushions.

The sad thing is, Lager was not removed because his statement was incorrect. He was not removed because he failed to do his job.

Lager is no longer Missouri's Budget Committee Chairman because he made a politically unpopular statement. His crime was telling the people of Missouri the truth about their state's fiscal situation.

It seems Lager should have kept quiet, not ruffled any feathers and let the state's finances tumble into disarray.

Perhaps the representative from Maryville could not stand idly by, smile and fail to do his job. For standing up and speaking, Lager deserves commendation.

Further, the situation could reveal future problems for Missouri citizens far worse than those befailing Lager.

If the state's leadership chastised Lager for honesty, citizens can hardly trust the government in the future. In a climate where spin and forced smiles outshine tough truths, we're all in trouble unless Lager and politicians like him continue to stand on principle.

Southern Universities struggle to regain student enrollment

(U-WIRE) HOUSTON - Universities in New Orleans and other Katrina-affected areas now overcoming debilitating obstacles face one more hurdle, and perhaps the most important of all - getting their students to come back.

That could prove to be difficult, especially for the crop of freshmen who never got to establish strong ties at their schools before Katrina struck. In some instances, the displaced students got a better deal out of the disaster - a better deal meaning perhaps a more prestigious school or one that better fits students' preferences.

But, because of arrange-

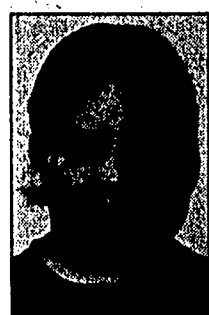
ments made during the disaster, all of the displaced students are either being strongly urged to return or forced to return to complete the year, according to an Associated Press report.

For example, at the University of Virginia, displaced students will be required to return when their original schools re-open, even though a petition garnered 600 signatures to block the provision.

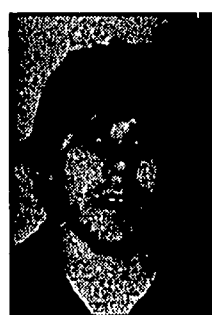
Some schools are well on their way to re-opening next semester. Tulane University in New Orleans, for example, will officially open its doors Jan. 17, and already has 80 percent of its students re-registered.

CAMPUSTALK

What would you do on a 12-hour car ride to Alabama?



"I'd probably be mooning people,"
Brandy Anderson
Early Elementary Education



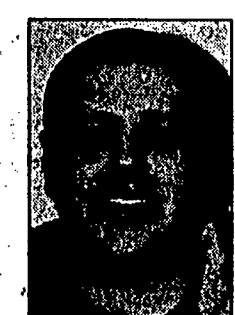
"Find some way to entertain myself. Listen to music or read."
Zach Sherman
Physical Education



"Count cars from out-of-state."
Gary Jenkins
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"Probably get lost."
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"Listen to music to get me pumped up."
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Incidents reported

11/04

5:04 p.m.

Ryan D. Kropf, 18, Maryville, stealing by deceit, fraudulent use of credit card, 1100 block South Main.

5:10 p.m.

Fire reported to vegetation, no damage, 600 block North Laura.

11/9

9:36 a.m.

Towed 1979 Camaro, 500 block West Third.

11/10

7:56 a.m.

Minor damage to Judah Park.

12:59 p.m.

Vehicle damage, 2400 block South Main

11:48 p.m.

Cicile F. Ohora, 20, Merriam, Kan., failure to appear, MIP, providing false information to an officer, 300 block North Market.

11/11

12:07 a.m.

Ashley N. Kurtz, 19, St. Joseph, Mo., MIP, possession of another's ID, 300 block North Market.

12:49 a.m.

Andrew J. Greiner, 20, Nicola, Iowa, MIP, possession of another's ID, 300 block North Market.

6:17 a.m.

Vehicle damage, 100 block East Second.

9:36 p.m.

Fabblan A. Whaley, 29, St. Joseph, Mo., DWI, failure to maintain financial responsibility, speeding, 1000 block Country Club.

11:24 p.m.

Danielle N. Lankford, 19, St. Joseph, Mo., possession of altered drivers license, failure to obey traffic signal, 300 block North Main.

11:25 p.m.

Robin D. Murphy, 44, Bernard, Mo., DWI, careless and imprudent driving, 200 block North Laura.

11:45 p.m.

Patrick V. Miles, 19, Maryville, providing false information to an officer, 500 block North Buchanan.

William J. Simpson, 18, Maryville, MIP, 500 block North Buchanan.

11/12

9:47 a.m.

Fire reported, building damage, 1000 block South Main.

11/13

1:28 a.m.

Aaron M. Caskey, 19, Kansas City, Mo., MIP, failure to affix front license plate, failure to maintain financial respon-

sibility, zero tolerance, 100 block West Edwards.

1:50 a.m.

Recovered debit card, 200 block East Third.

11/14

12:18 p.m.

Towed 1984 Buick Regal, 1400 block East Jenkins.

11/15

5:38 p.m.

Randy M. Devanek, 48, Maryville, failure to appear, 1000 block East Edwards.

9:52 p.m.

Christopher A. Lundgren, 21, Maryville, failure to appear, 400 block North Vine.

10:22 p.m.

Robert L. Sturm, 29, Maryville, failure to appear, 700 block West Edwards.

11/17

12:19 a.m.

Abigail M. Bone, 20, Maryville, possession of altered drivers license, 400 North Buchanan.

12:54 a.m.

Charles T. Gochenour, 19, Maryville, MIP, 400 block North Buchanan.

7:06 a.m.

Lonnie E. Mabin, 23, Kansas City, Mo., failure to appear, 400 block North Market.

12:48 p.m.

Wesley G. Parker, 22, Maryville, property damage.

9:53 p.m.

Katie L. Kousgaard, 22, Maryville, possession of 35 grams or less of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, no valid drivers licenses, 1000 block North Main.

11/18

1:20 a.m.

Jaclynn K. Sonnek, 18, Maryville, MIP, 500 block West Ninth.

1:50 a.m.

Amanda D. Maness, 29, Maryville, peace disturbance, 300 block East Third.

1:38 p.m.

Towed 1988 Chevy pickup, 1100 block North Buchanan.

11:38 p.m.

James B. Halvin, 20, Maryville, peace disturbance, 300 block South Buchanan.

11/19

1:10 a.m.

Ryan P. Ohlerking, 23, Kansas City, Mo., failure to comply, 400 block North Walnut.

1:38 a.m.

Bryson L. Thurman, 22, Maryville, DWI, equipment violation, 600 block North Walnut.

8:19 a.m.

Recovered credit card, 1600 block South Main.

12:19 p.m.

Larceny of green-blue bicycle, 600 block South Buchanan.

11:49 p.m.

Kimberly D. Snodgrass, 20, Maryville, peace disturbance, 200 block West Seventh.

Keejat Gehrt, 20, Kansas City, Mo., peace disturbance, 200 block West Seventh.

Janelle M. Logan, 20, St. Joseph, Mo., peace disturbance, 200 block West Seventh.

Elizabeth A. Holmes, 20, Kansas City, Mo., peace disturbance, 200 block West Seventh.

Laura E. Fowler, 20, Maryville, MIP, 200 block West Seventh.

11/20

12:17 a.m.

Antonio J. Hughes, 19, Maryville, possession of another's ID, improper registration, open container, 100 block South Main.

Spencer R. Carlson, 19, Maryville, MIP, open container, 100 block South Main.

11/21

4:39 a.m.

Ongoing investigation of a missing person, 1000 block of Main.

6:51 a.m.

Recovered hooded sweatshirt, 200 block East Third.

12:31 p.m.

Summons issued to Everett Walden for code violation, 100 block East Torrance.

12:32 p.m.

Summons issued to Rhonda Smith for code violation, 500 block West 16th.

4:53 p.m.

Lost/stolen camera phone, 400 block North Buchanan.

5:23 p.m.

Ralleg M. Barfoot, 24, Maryville, possession of 35 grams or less of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, 300 block South Vine.

Accidents reported

11/16

9:15 a.m.

Bettye J. Hogan, 57, Maryville,

Intersection of 16th and Main.

11/17

2 p.m.

Marian L. Nelson, Maryville, struck Bernard J. Riley, Ravenwood, Mo., at the intersection of Edwards and Davis.

11/18

4:48 p.m.

Shaylee L. Young, 18, Maryville, due to careless and imprudent driving struck the vehicle of Brandi L. Malloy, 30, Maryville, at the intersection of East South Avenue and Main.

11/19

6 p.m.

An unknown driver struck the vehicle of Mary L. Thompson, Maryville, 1500 block South Main.

11:30 p.m.

An unknown vehicle struck the vehicle of Gerald A. Morlock, Maryville, at the intersection of Fredrick and Edwards.

11/21

5:07 p.m.

David M. Cotts, 21, Maryville, struck the vehicle of Elizabeth K. Boles, 39, Skidmore, Mo., at the intersection of First and Buchanan.

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Speeding

Cassie J. Smith, Elmo, Mo., \$97.50

Robert H. Savage, Maryville, \$500

Ricky L. McCord, Albany, Mo., \$80.50

Jennifer N. Koerner, Maryville, \$64.50

Andrew S. Hayes, Conception, Mo., \$82.50

Michael L. Colwell, Maryville, \$67.50

Steve J. Schmidt, Maryville, \$92.50

Gregory S. Barmann, Maryville, \$72.50

Bryan R. Pitts, Maryville, \$122.50

Tomas R. Morris, Kansas City, Mo., \$64.50

Dana M. Griffin, Pickering, Mo., \$77.50

Ashley N. Dery, Maryville, \$142.50

Bradley W. Hillsabeck, Barnard, Mo., \$135

Stop sign violation

Benjamin J. Stout, Maryville, \$97.50

Nicole C. Krueger, Maryville, \$97.50

Elizabeth A. Harashe, Maryville, \$135

Careless and imprudent driving

Ian S. Carlson, Maryville, \$75

Failure to maintain financial responsibility

Ricky L. McCord, Albany, Mo., \$175

Improper registration

Bradley W. Hillsabeck, Barnard, Mo., \$25

Failure to yield

Zachary E. Chambers, Maryville, \$97.50

Driving without a valid operators license

Robert H. Savage, Maryville, \$522.50

Danny L. Jackson, Maryville, \$522.50

Aerie D. Aguilar, Maryville, \$522.50

Vallarie L. Spire, Maryville, \$100

Driving while suspended

Shaney L. Herron, Maryville, \$500

Rafael J. Massen, Maryville, \$522.50

Tomas R. Morris, Kansas City, Mo., \$500

Defective equipment

Brooke C. Veer, Maryville, \$267.50

Genevieve A. Maasey, Maryville, \$595.50

Roberto C. Lopez, Plattsburg, Mo., \$297.50

Austin E. Johnson, Maryville, \$312.50

Amy M. Cochran, Adel, Iowa, \$272.50

Aerie D. Aguilar, Maryville, \$100

Brandon M. Kreps, Maryville, \$595.50

DWI

Ian S. Carolson, \$595.50

Failure to maintain right half of roadway

Vallarie L. Spire, Maryville, \$75

Austin E. Johnson, Maryville, \$135

Failure to appear

Ricky L. McCord, Albany, Mo., \$122.50

Shaney L. Herron, Maryville, \$122.50

Steven L. Crockett, Aurora, Colo., \$72.50

Failure to pay

Steven L. Crockett, Aurora, Colo., \$97.50

Contempt of court

Samuel G. Pitts, Coralville, Iowa, \$72.50

Failure to pay parking tickets

Michael H. Wagner, Lewis, Iowa, \$267.50

Open container in vehicle

Thomas D. Roop, Maryville, \$122.50

Affray

Kevin J. Bradshaw, Maryville, \$372.50

Failure to comply

Scott A. Harkider, Maryville, \$222.50

No permit for animals

Barbara S. Ray, Maryville, \$122.50

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Daniel A. Tubbs, Maryville, \$222.50

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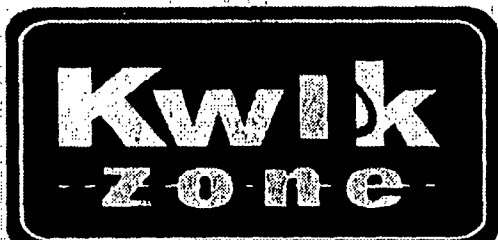
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NO: Local teenager struggles with painful Lyme disease, hereditary disease symptoms

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One day her mother, Cari, picked her up from school because Hailey thought she had the flu and was limping from pain in her right hip. Three days later, she had a strep infection.

Doctor after doctor couldn't figure out what was wrong with Hailey. After numerous tests—including one for Lyme disease—came back negative, Hailey's parents didn't know what to do.

The strain of tick that bit Hailey wasn't detected by

the test, leaving her Lyme disease untreated and devastating.

With the disease being so unpredictable, Hailey's parents fear letting her travel too far from the house. Trips to Wal-Mart and The Hangar are sometimes the highlight of Hailey's week or month.

A mile-long list of medications and food outlines what Hailey can have. With all the abundant medications and frequent IVs she is on, a port was installed in her chest.

Sometimes her foot turns purple, she has intense

migraines or is ultra-sensitive to light. She often cannot control her motor-functions, leaving regular school attendance out of the picture for now.

Hailey has attended school three days this year, been to one formal dance and sang in one Christmas choir concert.

Instead she communicates with her friends over MSN Instant Messenger and calls them on the phone, keeping up in all her classes and trying to be as much of a kid that she can be; simultaneously knowing nothing

will ever be the same.

Knowing the condition is only treatable—not curable.

She used to be able to play tag and jump on the trampoline with her 9-year-old brother Hagen. Now she's lucky if she has the energy and fears such activities will trigger an outbreak.

Looking down shyly, Hagen agrees memories of the way things used to be is what he hates about his sister being sick.

"She can't play with me anymore," Hagen said.

The Snows' asked volunteer services at Northwest to

find someone to help take care of Hailey while they were at work. When Sundi Cottrell saw the request she instantly knew it was something she wanted to do.

Nearly a month later, Cottrell goes over to Hailey's house every day to cook her lunch, give Hailey her numerous medications and just visit with her. After a few episodes of Full House or soap operas they often enjoy a nice session of "girl talk."

"She does as much for me as I do for her," Cottrell said.

Northwest student Josie Asher also volunteers every day at a different time, helping to give Hailey the social time she craves after being pent up in the house all day sometimes.

Hailey is taking each day as it comes. Cherishing her brief freedom to go out to eat or go shopping when she's feeling well and coping with each time she is in so much pain she can't move.

"She's never had a bad attitude throughout my time with her," Cottrell said. "I've never met someone with such a great attitude."

PUBLIC: Parks ban alcohol consumption

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for groups conducting picnics, barbecues and other approved social activities.

Eftink said residents were supportive, and he understands why cities with larger populations would institute such an ordinance.

"There was a consensus," Eftink said. "Part of our problem is our park is small and our shelters are so close together. If a community had a larger facility then I could see a need for (such an ordinance)."

Council member John Jasinski definitely sees a need for an ordinance in Maryville.

Jasinski said instances of alcohol abuse in parks have become serious problems, and the new ordinance will help bring order in Maryville parks.

"The bottom line is over the past years, abuse of alcohol has expanded," Council member John Jasinski said. "I respect the differing opinion but just because (parks) are public doesn't mean that you can use them for anything you want."

He also believes the ordinance will restore the family atmosphere missing from the present park atmosphere.

"You have to remember that in many cases there are youths around," Jasinski said. "We want people of all ages to enjoy our parks."

BLUNT: Local representative questions spending

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Corrections—compared to \$585 million recommended in 2005.

"There's not one thing that is the silver bullet," Lager said. "We're spending more money than we have coming in and we don't have room to grow government. In every economic briefing we get, the economy is beginning to slow. I'm definitely not opposed to putting a freeze on government. All elected officials have a responsibility to be good stewards of tax dollars. And, it's time for our leaders to be leaders."

Although Lager suggested a reduction in government programs, he believes it's important to maintain proper spending for the state's education system.

The legislature will begin making decisions for the next budget in January.

Attempts to contact representatives from the Missouri Division of Budget and Planning were unsuccessful at press time.

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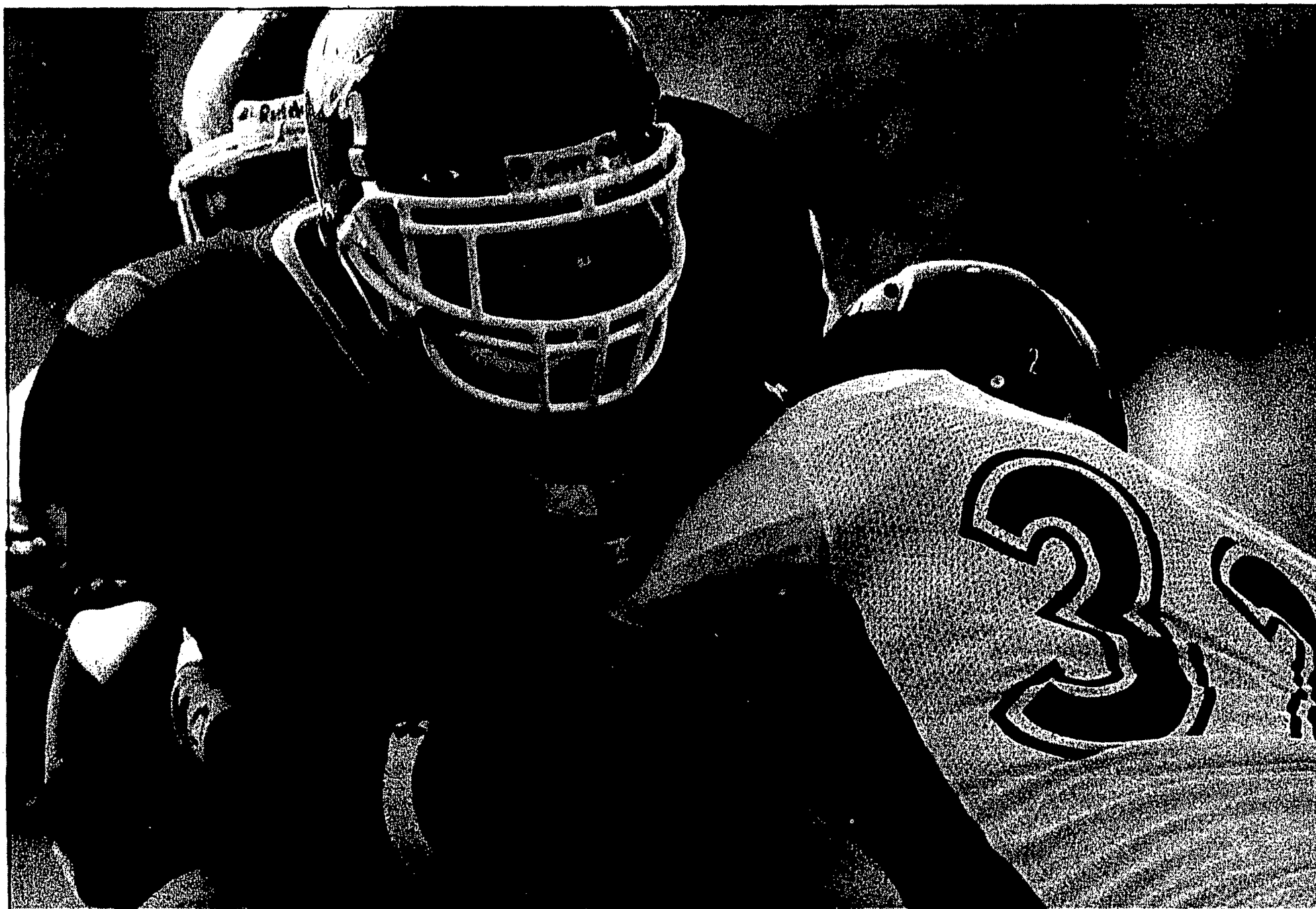


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KELLY WILLIAMS, right, tackles Pittsburg State's Bryan Pray Saturday in the Southwest Region Championship at Carnie Smith Stadium. Northwest defeated Pitt State 21-10.

Battle of No. 6 seeds on tap for 'Cats

By Jerome Boettcher
Sports Editor

They weren't even sure if they would make it into the playoffs. They're a No. 6 seed. They've had to win every game on the road. Now they find themselves in the Division II football semifinals.

Sound familiar?

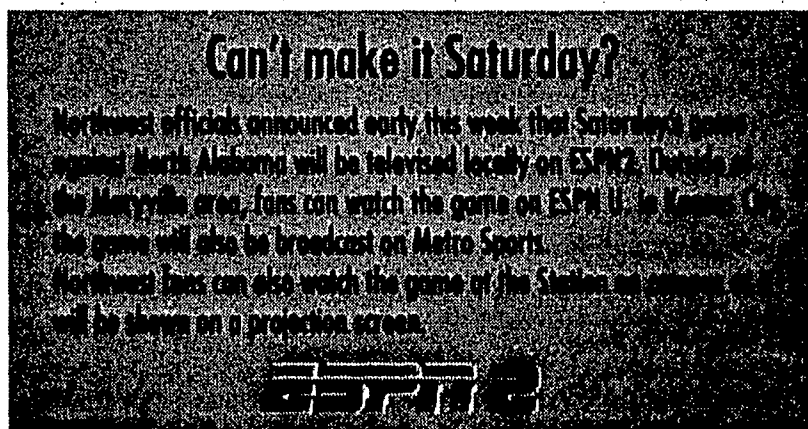
The University of North Alabama football team can relate to Northwest's journey as they too find themselves playing for a trip to the national title game. North Alabama (11-2), the sixth seed in the Southeast region, finds themselves playing against Northwest (10-3) at 10 a.m. Saturday in Florence, Ala.

If Northwest wins they will play next week in the championship game, also in Florence. However, they know they can't look ahead, however hard that may be.

"We've said 'Yeah, if we take care of business we'll have to go down on Thursday of next week,' but that's about all we've said about it," coach Mel Tjeerdsma said. "We're just anxious to play."

North Alabama brings a steep tradition into the game as they have won three national championships and has the highest winning percentage in Division II playoff history. However, North Alabama has already run into some road blocks this season as they try to win their fourth.

In their past two games they



have had to come from behind to win. Both wins came on late field goals. The Bearcats, on the other hand, have not trailed in the post-season.

"You've always got to keep that in mind in the playoffs. It doesn't matter how far you're up someone can always come back on you," center Jordan Wilcox said. "You've got to finish games or you're not going to be playing in the national championship game, that's just the way it is."

The Northwest defense will once again try to play physical as they will try to force quarterback Vinnie Saylor into bad situations.

"I think we have to get some pressure on their quarterback, even if we don't get to him, we have to get pressure on him," Tjeerdsma said.

The secondary will have their hands full with the Lions receiving corps. Three receivers have 750 or

more receiving yards but Saylor has thrown 15 interceptions on the season.

"Receiver wise they've got more depth and more big play potential, I would say, than any team we've played all year," safety Brandon Pratt said. "We've got to prevent the big play—that's the big thing for us."

Wide receiver Anthony Merritt not only poses a threat on offense but also on special teams. Merritt has eight returns for touchdowns in his career, three this season.

Tjeerdsma said the most important thing to do with a finesse team like North Alabama is to be physical.

"You do have to be physical, we've got to make it a physical game. They're physical on defense but

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PHOTO BY MIKE DYE / PHOTO EDITOR

MIKE PETERSON rumbled to a touchdown against Pittsburg State Saturday. Peterson scored the teams final touchdown to give the Bearcats a 10-point lead.

Team comes alive in playoffs

By Jerome Boettcher
Sports Editor

Josh Lamberson's actions echoed what everyone of his teammates were feeling.

After falling to Pittsburg State 56-35 in front of more than 20,000 people on Oct. 29 at Arrowhead stadium the senior quarterback was furious.

Though he didn't say anything his actions spoke volumes. The senior captain sat leaned on the wall in the media room after the game. He just stared ahead not wanting to be bothered by anyone.

"We were embarrassed after the Arrowhead game," Lamberson said. "They came out and really put it to us in all facets of the game. I don't think

we walked away with too many positives from the Arrowhead game."

Since that moment Lamberson and the Bearcats have let their feelings spill out on the football field. The squad, once on life support, now finds themselves on a four-game winning streak and in the national semifinals.

Since that game, the 'Cats have not trailed in a game. The offense is averaging 39 points per game and the defense has only allowed more than 14 points once in the last four games.

Some players said that the game was a wake-up call.

"I think it kind of helps us," running back Xavier Omon said.

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Last week's playoff scores

Southwest Region
Northwest 21
Pitt State 10

Xavier Omon rushes
for 152 yards

Southeast Region
North Alabama 41
Central Arkansas 38

Yuta Fukuda makes a
45-yard field goal in
overtime

Northwest Region
Grand Valley 24
Saginaw Valley 17

GVSU overcomes
halftime deficit in
victory

Northwest Region
East Stroudsburg 55
C.W. Post 28

Jimmy Terwilliger
throws for 384 yards
and five touchdowns

NORTH ALABAMA
quarterback Vinnie
Saylor looks to pass
during a previous round
of the NCAA Division II
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NO. 6: 'Cats hope to be physical at UNA

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they're more of a finesse team on offense," Tjeerdsma said.

The Northwest offense will continue trying to score early and often. In all three playoff games they have scored on their opening drive.

Quarterback Josh Lamberson comes into the game with 30 passing touchdowns on the season and only seven interceptions. He hasn't thrown an interception at all in the playoffs.

Running back Xavier Omon also hopes to continue his post-season success as he is coming off a 152-yard performance against Pittsburg State. As for this Saturday's game, Omon said that the Lions defense is comparable to a conference opponent.

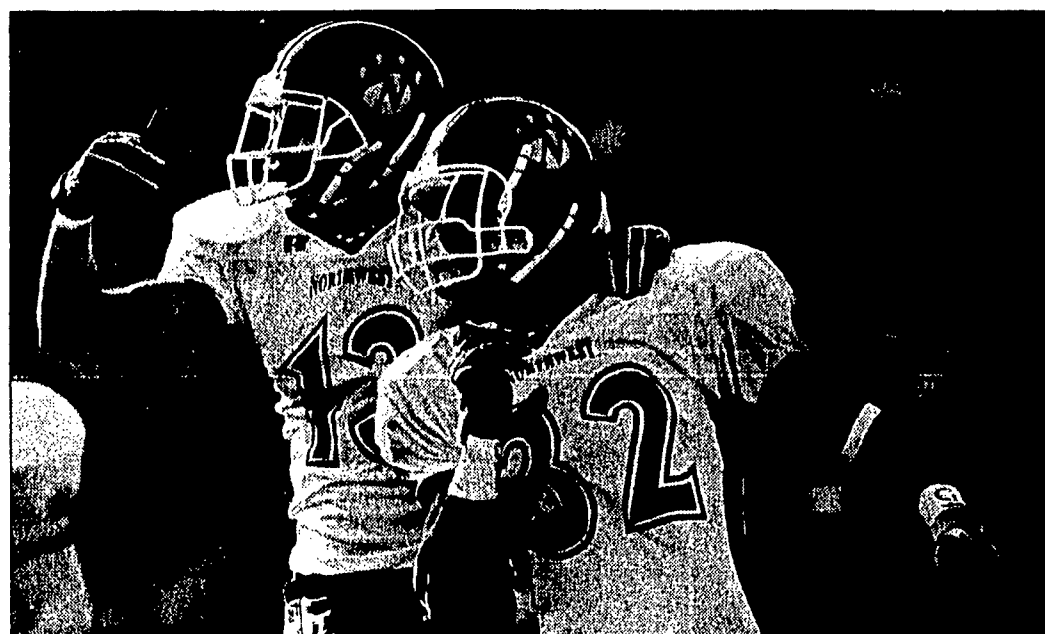
"(North Alabama) has got a lot of athletes on their team, a lot of speed," he said. "Outside of that, they remind us a lot of Central (Missouri State), just a lot of

athletes on their team."

This Saturday's game will be televised and will be on ESPN2 in the Maryville area and on Metro Sports in the Kansas City area. Outside those areas it will be televised on ESPN. If Northwest wins, they will play the winner of the East Stroudsburg-Grand Valley State semifinal. That game will be at 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 10.

However, Northwest players say they are focused on just North Alabama, just like they have taken it game by game all season.

"I think it's tough, but I don't sense that from this team at all, we've been through a lot this season and I think everyone appreciates where we're at and just taken the next step to get that game," Wilcox said. "I don't think anyone's thinking about anything past just doing what we need to do to get there then we'll worry about everything after that."



TYLER MARTIN, left, and Kelly Williams, right, celebrate during Saturday's game at Pittsburg State. Williams and Martin are part of the reason why the Northwest secondary has played better.

WIDE AWAKE: Bearcats pick up momentum

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"I think most people would have rather gone undefeated but when you look at it after the Pitt game we've been doing a lot better. I guess you could say it's helped us out to actually lose a game as bad as that sounds but its kind of helped us out."

The season hasn't been smooth sailing for the 'Cats. They struggled to get an offensive rhythm going. Penalties and injuries also hurt the team early on.

Many players say the season has not lived up to their original expectations but once it came together it didn't surprise them how good they could be.

"It was real frustrating, we have a lot of great talent on this team, it's frustrating to see when you don't live up to the talent and don't play as well as you know you can. That was probably the most frustrating part about it," center Jordan Wilcox said.

One thing the adversity and the loss to Pittsburg State has helped the team do is come together.

"It was us on the field that we're going to do it and we just got after it," defensive end Dave Tollefson said.

Coach Mel Tjeerdsma says that it's hard to say why things don't go as well as expected but said the things this year's team has gone through has actually been an advantage.

"I felt this way about this team last spring, I felt like we would be a team that could make a run at a national championship, I really did," Tjeerdsma said. "You don't say that very often but we just had a lot of things that kind of unraveled on us starting in fall camp."

"... As I've said before the good thing about it is that these guys know how to handle adversity. I think it's made us a better football team. If we had rolled through the regular season like I thought we could have, we might have gotten knocked off right now ... I have a strong faith and I really believe everything happens for a reason. Some of those things that were tough at the time, right now I feel like we're getting the benefit from those."

Secondary no longer

By Cole Young
Editor-In-Chief

Kelly Williams and the rest of the Northwest defensive backs were down following their regular season loss to Pittsburg State on Oct. 29.

Their once proud defense had been exposed, giving up 56 points — the most since Mankato State scored 59 in 1995. More specifically, the secondary broke down several times, allowing three passing touchdowns by the run-oriented Gorillas.

As low of a point that Saturday in October was, the Northwest secondary experienced an equally high moment in the visitor's locker room at Carnie Smith Stadium following their 21-10 playoff victory over Pitt State.

"If someone would have said we would be in the final four, after the game at Arrowhead, I would have said they were dreaming," Williams

said.

Another step towards completing their dream came to fruition, thanks to three interceptions — all coming at crucial points.

"After we lost Brandon (Clayton) midway through the season we struggled for a little bit," defensive secondary coach Will Wagner said. "Finally, we have started to gel more as a unit."

Williams, Brandon Pratt and Darrell Clark all picked off Andy Majors Saturday, each inside the Northwest 25-yardline as the Gorillas were marching to score.

Part of the groups improved performance may have come from the extra time preparing for the opponents.

Williams, one of only two senior defensive backs, challenged the group to put in extra time for preparation.

"I just asked them all to spend at least an hour a day watching film and preparing

for each week's game," Williams said.

Another key factor to the Bearcat's success has been trying to eliminate the big plays.

"(The loss to Pittsburg State) opened up our eyes, it's helped us out we've been improving each week since then," Pratt said. "... Again, that Pitt State game was an awakening for us. We gave up some big plays through the air there. Big plays are going to happen on occasion, we've taken that, we know that but we're going to go out and take risks and try to make plays."

Since the loss to the Gorillas, Northwest has allowed just one team to throw for over 215 yards this year.

All but one of those performances came away from Bearcat Stadium, something Williams doesn't mind.

"I love it, it gives me a chance get away from everything and just be with my teammates," he said.

SPORTSBRIEFS

Senior defensive end Dave Tollefson has been invited to play in the 60th Annual Hula Bowl in Honolulu.



The Hula Bowl will be played at 6 p.m. on Jan. 21, 2006. The game will be on ESPN and will feature Division I and Division II players.

Tollefson currently sits 1.5 sacks away from the all-time school record. He has 11.5 on the season, tying a school season record. He also was named the conference defensive MVP.

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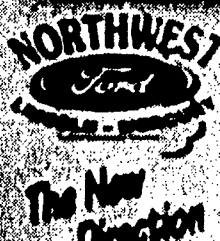
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Women's team splits on 2,000 mile trip

By Brendan Kelley
Assistant Sports Editor

While everyone was enjoying the Thanksgiving break by relaxing and catching up with family and friends the Northwest women's basketball team traveled across the country.

In the end, the 'Cats traveled over 2,000 miles and took part in two overtime games. One game resulted in a one-point win; the other, a two-point loss.

On Wednesday, Nov. 23, the 'Cats took the floor at Abilene Christian University (Tx.). After 18 lead changes and nine ties the game came down to a last second shot by Meghan Blay in the overtime period. The ball bounced off the rim and into the hands of guard Kelli Nelson who put it back up and in for the 79-78 victory.

"It was a good game for us, because it was one that maybe we shouldn't have won," coach Gene Steinmeyer said. "We made some mistakes down the stretch and still won the thing. A 5'4" kid tipping in a shot at the buzzer just doesn't happen."

Mandi Schumacher led 'Cat scorers with 16 points in the win, which brought Northwest's record to 4-0 for the first time since the start of the 1997-98 season.

From Texas the team headed north to St. Paul, Minn., for a game against Concordia-St. Paul. After coming back from 20 points down against the Golden Bears—who received votes in the latest WBCA national poll—the 'Cats fell 88-86 in their second overtime game of the week.

"I feel like we should have won the game even though we were down 20 at one point," Steinmeyer said.

Junior Katie O'Grady led 'Cat scorers on Saturday with 18 points. Senior Laura Friederich also returned to action after being sidelined with a back injury. The leading scorer from last season dropped in 12 points in 22 minutes off the bench. Schumacher picked up her first double-double of the

season with 16 points and 11 rebounds, while fellow post player Chelsea Erzen narrowly missed her first double-double scoring nine points and grabbing 12 rebounds in the losing effort.

"That's probably the most unusual stat I've ever had. Two kids splitting time at the same position come within one point of a double-double," Steinmeyer said. "Mandi helped us out early and kept us in the game the first half with her scoring and then when we went box and one Chelsea came in and saved us with her rebounding. They each provided a function that we really had to have."

While the trip took the team and coaching staff away for the holiday, Steinmeyer feels that in the end all the miles, hotel rooms and overtimes were worth it.

"I was looking forward to it and I wasn't disappointed," he said. "A lot of good things happened, the team had to live together for four days. It was either going to kill us or make us better and I think it made us better."

The road trip provided some lessons for the 'Cats and pointed to things they do well and things they will have to improve upon throughout the season.

"We still have a lot to work on," O'Grady said. "Our shooting and defense hasn't been the best, but it will all come together. We have great posts, we have great guards, we have a well balanced team, but I think if we push it inside we have a better chance."

After the long trip things won't get any easier for the 'Cats as they travel to UMKC on Thursday for a match-up against the Division I Kangaroos.

"We've got to go into the game with the idea of winning it," Steinmeyer said. "Even though it's a Division I team our region looks at it as just another game and if we get beat by them and they have a losing record it's going to hurt us in our regional rankings."

Check out nwmissourianews.com over the weekend for Northwest football stories.

'Cats grab wins over holiday

By Brendan Kelley
Assistant Sports Editor

The Northwest Bearcat men's basketball team wasted no time ruining Southeastern Oklahoma State's holiday break. The 'Cats took part in the Premiere Mortgage/WIBW Radio Holiday Classic at Washburn University.

The 'Cats hit 10 of 20 three-pointers and routed the Savages 64-51 last Friday.

"Southeastern Oklahoma is one of the better Division II schools that we're going to play in non-conference," Coach Steve Tappmeyer said.

Transfer Xzavier Gaines had a career high in scoring Friday evening, dumping in 21 points.

The Savages trailed 30-27 at the break and would never get back in front of the 'Cats as they walked away with the 13-point victory.

The 'Cats followed up the win Friday with another win Saturday beating Sterling 80-67.

"The motivation was in their favor. They were trying

to go out and be the giant killer and we were trying to go out and not blow a game that we were supposed to win," Tappmeyer said.

Northwest trailed 16-17 with 10:57 remaining in the first half, but by the time halftime rolled around the 'Cats were back in control 38-34.

The 'Cats used a 40-28 rebounding advantage to finish out the second half and earn the 13 point victory.

Austin Meyer tied the Northwest mark for career 3-pointers with 173, previously held by Scott Fleming. Fleming played from 2000-03.

Gaines led the team in scoring once again Saturday with 15 points to complement his seven rebounds. Sophomore Matt Withers had his first career double-double, scoring 14 points and pulling in 10 rebounds. Addae Houston had his first double-digit game of the season, scoring 13 points in 21 minutes off of the bench.

"Addae came out and had a great practice Sunday," Tappmeyer said. "As a senior

I think that, that spoke pretty loudly to the team and made a statement to the team about how to approach things."

The games showed the 'Cats where they are headed and gave them a good idea of where they need to improve.

"Our execution could still get better at both ends of the floor, we're still having mental breakdowns," Tappmeyer said. "We have to eliminate those five or six points we give away because someone didn't rotate right or we commit a bad turnover that gets turned into points."

Next on the schedule for the 'Cats is Lincoln at 7 p.m. Friday in Jefferson City, Mo.



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XZAVIER GAINES goes up for layup at Midnight Madness earlier in the season. Gaines averaged 18 points per game over the holiday break.

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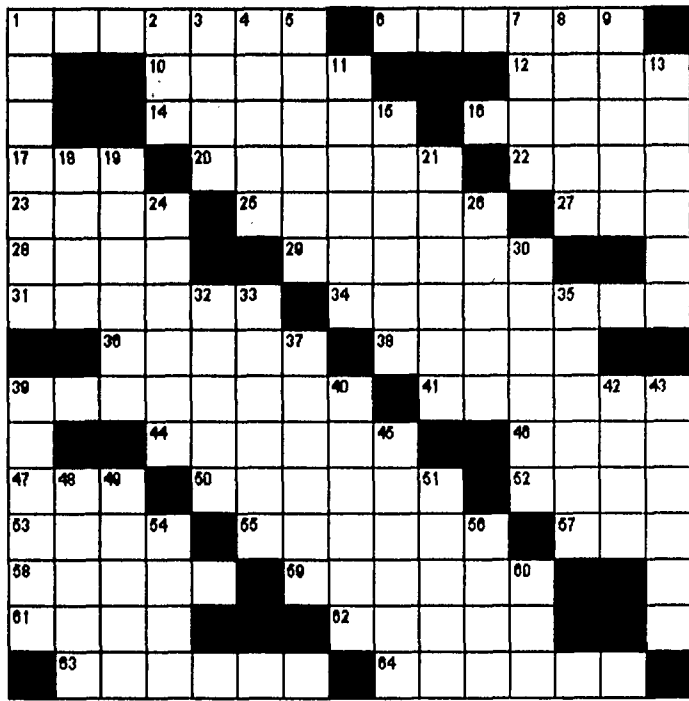
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47. Yes
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53. Decline
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11. Older
13. Male form of address
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18. Dipsomaniac
19. Middle Eastern city
21. Synagogue
24. Saved
26. Parliaments
30. Relating to an intestinal component
32. More decent
33. Small piece of cloth
35. Hamless lines
37. Shanghai
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Your Man says stop complaining

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This isn't cold and I hate it when people complain like it's colder than it really is. If you can't handle cold weather, you shouldn't have come to Northwest in the first place. It's not like nobody warned you. Even the SOAR pamphlet talks about Old Man Winter's mad-on for Northwest Missouri—"Things every freshmen should bring to college: an umbrella, pictures of family and a dead pilot to eat when your food supply runs out in mid-February."

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And God bless the Minnesotans. If not for them, everybody would be complaining about the cold. They walk around, sweating like pigs, saying, "Oh my God, it's hot! My armpits keep sticking together!"

But it's the rest of you that always seem to find a new way to express how cold it is. The other day I was walking to the Union when I passed a 6'4" cowboy with leather



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boots, heavy-duty Wranglers, a Carhartt jacket and fuzzy periwinkle earmuffs.

Periwinkle. The color screams "flush everything John Wayne worked for down the tubes."

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Now, while I don't think the cold is of any concern, Your Man does believe that the ice is something to be worried about. In the past two weeks, I've almost slipped on the ice twice. And when I finally do eat pavement, I'm afraid it's going to be less "Cool Runnings" funny and more "American History X" painful.

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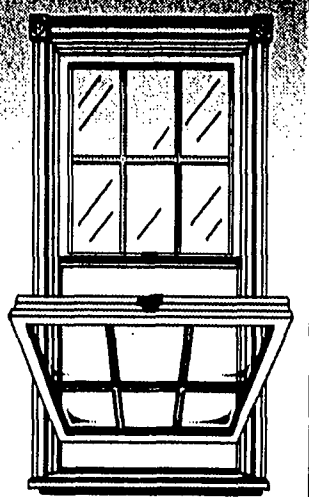
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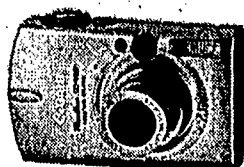


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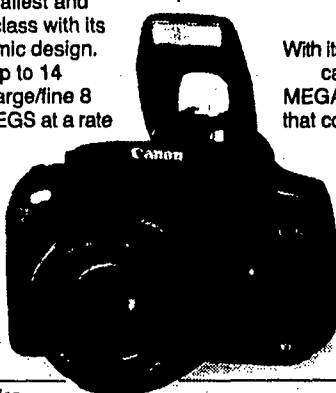
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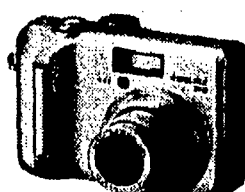
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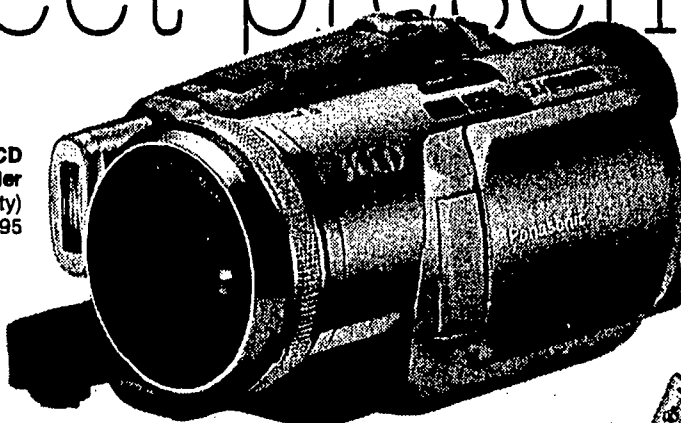
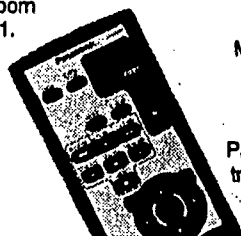
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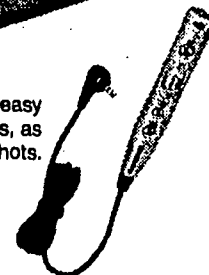
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Main Street Coffee grinds up holiday drinks, products

By Kristine Hotop
Features Editor

As customers wander in, they are welcomed by the awakening smell of roasted coffee beans and spiced flavors while two smiling faces emerge from beneath the steam of espresso machines asking to help.

These faces belong to owner Sherrie McEnaney and Kourtney McEnaney of Main Street Coffee.

Customers relax in the quiet atmosphere, sipping their specialty drinks and flavored coffees. The quaint store booms with business during lunch hours where the McEnaney's serve up delicious soups, salads and bakery items.

Yet, only a mere two months before-hand, Main Street Coffee's delectable drinks were overlooked and passed by.

"People would walk right by and not even notice us," owner Sherrie McEnaney

said. "Not even a glance in the window. When our lease was up, we just moved two spots down."

Now located on the north side of Looks, the ladies have noticed an increase in business.

"We will see people walking down the street and stop to put their faces to the window," Kourtney said. "We've been here, but people are noticing us a lot more here."

Sherrie's love for coffee is the beginning of this story. Kourtney explains how coffee runs were far too common and one day they decided to open up their own place. After much planning, November of 2000 welcomed Main Street Coffee to Maryville.

Sherrie runs the business along with her daughter Kourtney, a psychology major at Northwest. The ladies operate Main Street Coffee as a thing to do for fun while Kourtney continues her studies and Sherrie maintains a full-time job.

This holiday season, Main Street Coffee

is putting a festive twist to their regular items by offering holiday drinks such as Spiced Butter Rum, Winter-Wonderland and White Chocolate Dandy.

According to Kourtney, the season's most popular drink is a traditional latte, with eggnog substituted for milk.

"I never really liked eggnog, but it doesn't taste that bad with the coffee mixed in," Kourtney said.

Homemade Christmas candies will be a new item added to the counter of Main Street Coffee. Kourtney describes treats such as fudge in different flavors, mint candies, peanut clusters and other sweet items are available.

Main Street Coffee offers a 10 percent discount to all Northwest students with proof of Bearcat card and runs daily specials on favorite coffee drinks.

"It's a really laid-back place," Kourtney said. "We made it into a fun thing to do on the side, and it still is."

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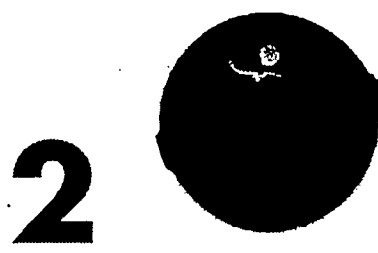
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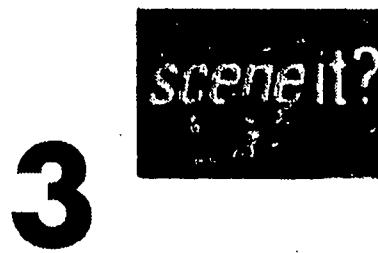
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- Players everywhere will set their controllers to fun as they run, jump, swim and fly through more than 80 new mini games
- The party is about to get a lot bigger because 8 people will now be able to battle each other at one time
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5 Cranium Hullabaloo Game

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Seasonal cuisine beyond ham, gingerbread cookies

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One of the things on many students' minds as they prepare to head home for the holidays is food. What delicious holiday meals await them at home?

When most people think of the traditional holiday entrée, they tend to expect meat, such as ham or turkey. However, there are many other non-traditional holiday meals that reflect different cultures and traditions around the world.

While many people in North America enjoy meat for their Christmas Eve meals, the Irish and Italians leave it off the menu in honor of the birth of Christ. In Italy, the primary food instead is a

fish stew called zuppa di pesce, while the Irish fix an oyster stew.

In Belgium, families serve cougnou, a sweet bread, for Christmas breakfast. The bread is baked in the shape of the baby Jesus. In Hungary, the main course is stuffed cabbage and chicken paprikash, or chicken served with paprika.

Japanese exchange student Takeshi Ishizuka said Christmas meals in Japan greatly differ from most places.

"We like to eat sushi, red beans and rice called sekihan, and buckwheat noodles called soba," he said. "My favorite (holiday) food is mochi, which are rice cakes."

During Hanukkah, the Jewish community typically eats latkes, or potato cakes cooked in oil and served with applesauce, cottage cheese, yogurt or sour cream.

The non-traditional fare continues on

New Year's Eve. In many countries food is eaten for good luck in the coming year.

People in the southern United States eat black-eyed peas for good luck, while in Madrid partygoers count down the last minutes before the New Year by popping grapes into their mouths.

The Greeks bake a cake called a peta. The cake contains a coin and whoever receives the slice containing the coin will have good luck for the next year.

This custom is reversed in the Buddhist New Year celebration. People make a dish called a guthok, which contains nine ingredients. One of the ingredients is a piece of charcoal. Whoever person gets the charcoal is said to have a black heart and is cursed with bad luck for the upcoming year.



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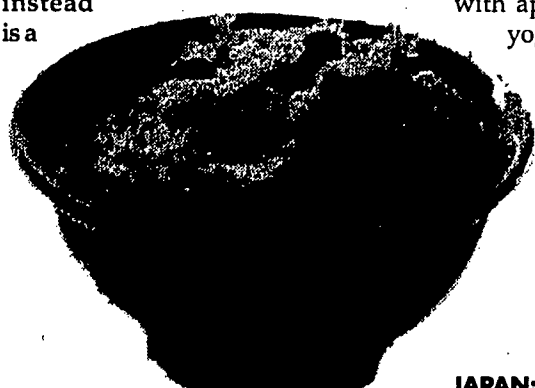
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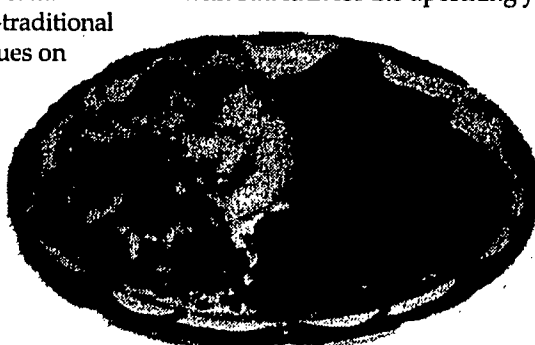
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